AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1.   (Currently Amended) A printer driver, provided at a host computer while said host computer is connected to a stencil printing machine through communications, for setting items of various printing conditions for said stencil printing machine including a number of copies to be printed,

wherein the various setting items for said printing conditions are displayed;

if a watermark print item is selected on the setting items, a secret operation item is selected accordingly, said secret operation item instructing said stencil printing machine to remove a used stencil sheet from a print drum and dispose of said used stencil sheet after said number of copies have been printed for allowing said stencil printing machine to execute a secret keeping operation for print data is selected accordingly; and

information on the items are transmitted, together with the print data, to the stencil printing machine.

2.   (Currently Amended) A printer driver, provided at a host computer while said host computer

is connected to a stencil printing machine through communications, for setting items of various

printing conditions for said stencil printing machine including a number of copies to be printed,

wherein the various setting items for said printing conditions are displayed;

if a watermark print item is selected on the setting items, a selection screen of a secret

operation item ~~for allowing said stencil printing machine to execute a secret keeping operation for~~

~~print data secret~~ is displayed, said secret operation item instructing said stencil printing machine to

remove a used stencil sheet from a print drum and dispose of said used stencil sheet after said

number of copies have been printed;

the items are made selectable; and

information on the selected items are transmitted, together with the print data, to the stencil

printing machine.